

Request for Comments

The Coast Guard encourages interested persons to participate in this rulemaking by submitting written data, views, or arguments. You should include your names and addresses, identify this rulemaking (CGD 97-064) and the specific section of this document that the comment applies, and give a reason for the comment. Please submit two copies of all comments and attachments in an unbound format, no larger than 8½ by 11 inches, suitable for copying and electronic filing. If you want us to acknowledge receiving your comments, please include a stamped, self-addressed postcard or envelope.

The Coast Guard will consider all comments received during the comment period and may change this proposed rule in view of the comments.

Background

The notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) would establish rules requiring training, drills, and the installation of equipment to suppress fires on towing vessels, and to enhance existing standards for anchoring or retrieving a drifting tank barge. The NPRM stated that the rules concerning drifting barges would apply to tank barges and vessels towing them on the high seas, territorial sea, and the Great Lakes.

Need for Correction

For the purposes of this NPRM, the Coast Guard treated the statutory language "open ocean [and] coastal waters" as equivalent to the regulatory

language "high seas and territorial sea." The territorial-sea baseline generally follows the coastline of the United States. However, it does not follow the coastlines of Connecticut or New York inside Long Island. There, it follows the seaward side of the island. Consequently, the NPRM inadvertently excluded Long Island Sound from the waters on which the proposed rules would apply to tank barges and vessels towing them.

Correction of Publication

Accordingly, the publication on October 6, 1997, of the proposed rule (CGD 97-064), which is the subject of FR Doc. 97-26304, is corrected as follows:

1. Paragraph (a) of § 155.230 is corrected to read as follows:

§ 155.230 Emergency control systems for tank barges.

(a) *Application.* This section applies to tank barges and vessels towing them—

- (1) On the territorial seas;
- (2) On the high seas;
- (3) On Long Island Sound; or
- (4) In Great Lakes service.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**48 CFR Parts 216, 245, and 252**

[DFARS Case 97-D027]

Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Title to Government Property

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Proposed rule; withdrawal.

SUMMARY: The Director of Defense Procurement is withdrawing a proposed rule published in the **Federal Register** on October 17, 1997 (62 FR 54008), under DFARS Case 97-D027, Title to Government Property. The rule proposed amendments to the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement to reduce the amount of Government-owned special tooling and test equipment in the possession of DoD contractors. After considering public comments, the Director of Defense Procurement has decided to withdraw the proposed rule.

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List of Subjects in 48 CFR Parts 216, 245, and 252

Government procurement.

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